



## CHAPTER 7 Hugh Scott to George Sells

Iowa Population in 1860 was 1309. By 1870 it was 4738.

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Hugh Scott, Peoria, IL

E ½ of NW ¼ 80 acres \$400

Other half of my quarter Sold off.

TO

**George W. Sells** and Ann Sells of Benton Co., IA

E ½ of the NW ¼ Sec. 8 T92 R21

160 acres \$400 April 9, 1861

SOLD OFF

NW¼

<b>W</b>	<b>E</b>		
<b>1/2</b>	<b>1/2</b>		

It looks like Hugh Scott and George W. Sells traded the W ½ and the E ½ for even money. Then Hugh sells it for \$400 to Eleanor Scott, wife of Hugh's brother, James, in trust for Thomas Scott's children he had with Mary Jane Spencer Scott. That's Ella M. (Ellen May), Nevada, Mary Adele and Jessie. This sale is for half of the same section of land Thos. and Hugh bought together in 1857 for \$550. Nice profit! Bought for \$550, sold for \$800 four years later.

**See Chapters 5, 6 and 9 for more Sells information.**

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Beaton,

Sub. Reims, Reed

Hugh Scott

Geo. H. Smith

Filed 9 May 1861

Sam Thompson Recorder

J. Geo. Reed Deputy

This indenture made this ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one between Hugh Scott of the City of Peoria County of Peoria State of Illinois of the first part and George H. Smith of the County of Benton State of Iowa of the second part witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of four hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of America to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part as

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so before the executing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has received released sold and for ever quit claimed, and by these presents does remise release and for ever quit claim unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that piece or parcel of land known and described as follows viz the East half of the North West quarter of Section 18, in Township 12 North, Range 1 West, County 1 West, State of Iowa. to have and to hold the said premises, so above described with the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging to the party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Hugh Scott (Seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in presence of Harrison Smith

Notary Public for the State of Illinois

Peoria County } I, Harrison Smith a Notary Public for the State of Illinois in said County do certify that on this day personally appeared before me Hugh Scott whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing deed of remise, as having executed the same who is personally known to me to be the said person who and in whose name this acknowledgment is proposed to be made and acknowledged the execution thereof as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed. Given under my hand and seal of office at Peoria this 9th day of April A.D. 1861.

Harrison Smith. N. O.

Book C P. 540 - 541  
George W. Sells and Ann Sells of Benton Co., IA  
W 1/2 of NW 1/4 80 acres \$400

TO

**Hugh Scott** of Peoria, IL  
W 1/2 of NW 1/4 80 acres \$400  
July 18, 1862

**See chapters 4 and 8 for Hugh Information.**

W	E		
1/2	1/2		



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 Quit Claim  
 to Hugh Scott  
 #4000  
 Peoria IL  
 18 July 1862

Elmer Sells Scott?  
 Hugh to  
 E.C. Scott  
 for said place

Last Claim Need  
 by W. Sells Wife  
 to  
 Hugh Scott

Filed 10 July 1862  
 Subscribed  
 Recorder

Know all men by these presents that we George W. Sells  
 & Ann Sells his wife of Benton County State of Iowa in consideration of  
 the sum of four hundred dollars in hand paid to us by Hugh Scott and  
 Hugh Scott of Benton County, State of Illinois all our right title and  
 interest in and to the following described premises, to wit the West half of  
 the North West quarter of Section No. Eight (8) in Township 16 North, Range  
 North of Range No. Twenty one West of the 5th P.M. containing eighty (80) acres  
 more or less situated in the County of Franklin in the State of Iowa  
 And we said Ann Sells hereby relinquishes all her right of dower in and  
 to the above described premises. Signed this 22nd day of April A.D. 1862  
 a witness of our said George W. Sells.

Sells  
 George  
 Ann  
 8  
 92  
 w/2 of  
 NW 1/4  
 80  
 acres

State of Iowa  
 Benton County : On this twenty second day of April A.D. 1862 before me  
 John W. Bentley a Notary Public in and for said County personally came  
 George W. Sells personally known to me to be the identical person  
 whose name and name in the above deed as grantor and acknowledged  
 to have been his voluntary act and deed. Witness my hand and  
 seal this 22nd day of April A.D. 1862. John W. Bentley, Notary Public

George W. Sells  
 Hugh Scott  
 Ann Sells

Filed 10 July 1862  
 Subscribed  
 Recorder

This Indenture made this twentieth seventh day of June  
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty two  
 between Hugh Scott of the City of Peoria and State of Illinois party of the  
 first part and Eleanor C. Scott of La Plume County of Missouri and State  
 aforesaid party of the second part, Witnesseth that the said party of the first  
 part for and in consideration of the sum of three hundred and thirty  
 nine dollars and thirty seven cents in hand paid by the said party of  
 the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party  
 of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said  
 party of the second part forever released and discharged Thompson has granted  
 bargained sold conveyed released, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents  
 does grant bargain sell convey release, convey and confirm unto the said

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NW 1/4  
Sec 8  
T 92  
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part of the second part and to her heirs and assigns forever, all of the following described premises, situate lying and being in the County of Franklin and State of Iowa viz the West half of the North West quarter of Section Eight (8) Town Twenty two (22) North of Range twenty one (21) West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P. M. together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainders and remainders, rents issues and profits thereof; and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand whatsoever of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity, of in and to the above bargained premises, with the hereditaments and appurtenances, to have and to hold the said premises above bargained and described, with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns forever. And the said Hugh Scott for his heirs executors and administrators, doth covenant bargain and agree to and with the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns, that at the time of the executing and delivery of these presents the said Hugh Scott is well seized of the premises above conveyed as of a good sure perfect absolute & indefeasible estate of inheritance in the law in fee simple and has good right full power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid; and that the same are free from all taxes and other grants bargains sales liens judgments taxes assessments and incumbrances of what kind or nature soever and the above bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns against all and every person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof shall and will warrant and forever defend. In witness whereof the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Hugh Scott (Seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of John Halested Carter & Halested  
 State of Illinois }  
 Marshals County } I, John Halested a Justice of the Peace in and for said county, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that Hugh Scott personally known to me as the same person whose name subscribed to the annexed deed appeared before me this day in person & acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the said instrument of writing in full and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth given under my hand and seal this twenty seventh day of August 1881.  
 John Halested (Seal) J. of the Peace

## NOTES:

These bits from an old newspaper:

Submitted to Iowa Old Press by Clayton Will ( [willcfish@gmail.com](mailto:willcfish@gmail.com) ). His great-great-grandfather was William Moats, one of the men killed by Indians in the article below. William's brother-in-law, lams, or one of two cousins that hired onto the train, returned and told his sister that William had been killed; and the last they saw him he had arrows sticking out of him still shooting at the Indians. William was driving a supply wagon and the rest were on horses. They were from Webster City. A more detailed accounting of the incident was printed in the 'Territorial Enterprise', Virginia City, Nevada Territory, October 1, 1862 issue and was reprinted in 'The Works of Mark Twain; Early Tales & Sketches', Vol. 1 1851-1864, Univ. of California Press, 1979, pp. 389-91.

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Dubuque Herald

Dubuque, Dubuque co. Iowa

Friday, February 20, 1863

### Travelers on the Plains Killed and Wounded

We have been permitted to copy the following information contained in a letter from Wm. Scott, who left Apple River with a company to cross the Plains last summer; the letter is dated at Washoe City, Nevada Territory, Dec. 14th, 1862. The following are the names of persons killed and wounded by the Indians in Mr. Scott's Company:

#### Killed.

Charles Bullwinkle, of New York city  
Mason O. Tuppy, of St. Paul, Minnesota  
Captain A. Hunter, of Iowa City  
George Leeper, of Iowa  
William Moats, of Iowa  
Thomas Noonan, of Iowa  
George W. Adams, of Iowa  
Miss Elizabeth Adams, of Iowa  
Thomas Paul, of Iowa

#### Wounded.

Captain R. Kennedy, of Iowa, since dead.  
James Campbell, of Iowa  
John Walker, of Iowa  
John Miller, of Iowa  
Edward Taylor, of Iowa  
Thomas Bradford, of Iowa  
P.O. Silman, of Iowa  
A.J. Easeley, of Iowa  
John Batterson, of Iowa

The following is a list of killed of a Company which started from Virginia City, Nevada Territory, bound for Rock county, Wis.; they were murdered by the Indians in a ravine, near Raft River: Carl Bartell and Charles Bartel, brothers, natives of Russia; Edgar Spratt, William McKillips, Almond Spearman and Uriah McGarry. -- Galena Advertiser

District Court, Thursday, Feb. 19, 1863

-In the case of the State vs. Patrick McKrevey, the defendant ws arraigned by the District Attorney on an indictment for assaulting a female with intent to commit a rape, and pleaded not guilt. Wilson & Mulkern & Lyon for defendant.

-In the case of Bateson vs Flannagan et al, Alonzo Cragin and Patrick Robt. were appointed referees to make partition of the premises in controversy among the parties interested, according

to their respective claims.

-In the case of the Dubuque Loan Association vs. A.P. Wood et al, a decree was entered in favor of Chandler Poor against B.W. Poor for the sum of \$2,315.90, to be paid out of proceeds of sale of the mortgaged property, after the judgment in favor of plaintiff has been paid.

-William Haw, John Haburn and Wm. Gibson, subjects of Great Britain and Ireland, were admitted citizens of the United States.

-In case of Sawyer vs. Christoph and Shindler, a decree was entered for plaintiff against defendants for \$200, and for a foreclosure of the mortgaged property.

#### Drowned

There is no doubt but the man mentioned in yesterday's Herald as having gone through the ice while attempting to cross the river, was John Burke, a soldier in the 6th Iowa Cavalry. His brother informs us that he started for Dunleith about half past 2 o'clock, to take the cars for Davenport, since which time nothing has been heard of him; and as he was dressed in soldier's clothes, he was undoubtedly the person seen to break through. He was 19 years old, and has lived for several years in Council Bluffs. His furlough expired last Sunday, but Col. Wilson extended it until last Wednesday, when he was to report at headquarters.

#### Rumors.

There was a rumor about town yesterday the Barney Mohan had been shot while arresting deserters from the Irish Regiment, out in Prairie Creek Township, near Potts'. The news was brought in by McDermott, and whether true or false we are unable to say. Nothing authentic could be learned about the affair. We also heard last evening that Coroner Liest went out to hold an inquest on Mohan's body